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- 25X1 1. The headquarters of the Czechoslovakian Third Army Corps is located in the former branch military hospital in Pisek, after moving in July 1951 from the Otavska Barracks in the same city.\* The lower military court and military prison remain in the Otavska Barracks.
2. The former Corps Commanding Officer, Major General Patera, was retired late in June 1951.\*\* Brigadier General Bernas disappeared from Pisek late in June amid rumors that he was under arrest.\*\*\*
3. A Soviet colonel who had lived since September 1950 in a villa formerly owned by President of the Czechoslovak Protectorate, Emil Hacha, left Pisek late in May 1951. He was reported to be transferred to Karlovy Vary.
- 25X1 \* Comment: All information available to this office indicates that the Second Army Corps is located in Pisek and that the Third Corps is in Pilsen.
- 25X1 \*\* Comment: A Colonel F. Patera is held as Commanding Officer of the 2nd Infantry Division in Pisek. A Major General F. Patera, possibly the same man at a later date, is held as Commanding Officer of the 11th Infantry Division in Pilsen. There is some indication that he may be in command of the Third Corps in Pilsen.
- 25X1 \*\*\* Comment: A Colonel Bernas is held as Commanding Officer of the 203rd Artillery Regiment in Pribram.

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